Positive Alternatives 2015 - 16 Quarterly Update

Grantee: Neighborhood House

Goal: To expand pregnancy and parenting support services for adolescent women

For the period: July – August 2016

Activity or Service	Activity or Service Description Major Work Plan Activities	Work Plan Count	Program Progress and Accomplishments Report the progress and accomplishments made this period on each activity.	Report Count
Administrative Activities	Provide direction, support, and guidance to grant funded staff; provide representation at required grantee meetings; Provide on-going reports as required; maintain data entry, data collection, and evaluation; work with staff to ensure expenses are within budget allowances		Administrative activities this quarter centered on following the newly approved and amended budget and carrying out final activities and transition plans. Worked with program staff to develop a list of care package essentials to give to participants exiting from the program. Participants were able to receive diapers, formula, baby bath supplies and safety proofing kits, among other small items. Worked with program staff to develop transition plans to successfully exit participants from Baby Talks program and transition them to other parent education programs with as minimal interruptions as possible.	
Outreach/ Hmong	Recruit program participants through internal program referrals, speaking to students at local schools, tabling at resource fairs and community organizations; communication with and posting fliers at neighborhoods, organizations and professional networking		Prepared participants for a successful exit. No outreach was made during this quarter.	
Outreach/ Latino	Recruit program participants through internal program referrals, speaking to students at local schools, tabling at resource fairs and community organizations; communication with and posting fliers at neighborhoods, organizations and professional networking		No outreach done this quarter but we had a lot of emails and calls regarding participation in the program. All Baby Talks program inquiries were referred to other agencies providing similar services.	

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Case Management Visits/ Hmong	Individual number of case management visits conducted this quarter		Case management was performed during home visits as well as when participants came to Neighborhood House to utilize Food Market.	6
Case Management Visits/ Latino	Individual number of case management visits conducted this quarter		Case management was offered during home visits as well as on site visits.	6
Case Management Services/ Hmong	Provide an individualized care plan with intake, assessment of needs, service planning, service plan implementation, service coordination, monitoring and following up; provide offsite visits, if needed		Most of home visits were made towards the end of quarter during supply drop off/ pick up. Participants expressed concerns regarding transition out of program but were not interested in additional services provided by Neighborhood House	6
Case Management Services/ Latino	Provide an individualized care plan with intake, assessment of needs, service planning, service plan implementation, service coordination, monitoring and following up; provide offsite visits, if needed	21	All home visits were to drop off supplies and follow up on previous discussions geared towards transitioning participants out of the Baby Talks program and on to other programs and/or services.	6
Group Sessions Hmong	Total number of attendance counts (duplicated)		Group session was provided during field trips. Participants participated in field trips to MN Zoo and Sea Life Aquarium. Participants showed interest in more field trips but could not settle on date. During these group sessions, main focus was for KIPS assessments, child development and self-care.	8
Group Sessions Latino	Total number of attendance counts (duplicated)		Group sessions consisted of attending field trips this summer quarter. We had a great turn out for field trips. Field trips this quarter were to the Science Museum, Sea Life Aquarium, and Crayola Experience at Mall of America. Along with field trips, participants attend National Night out at Neighborhood House. Six participants were active during this quarter from the Latino group.	16

Car Seat Program/ Hmong	Provide car seat education to all program participants		Car seat safety was discussed during home visits. Refreshed participants on proper car seat sizes and installation. Car seat brochure was provided to participants to assure they will have information for future use.	5
Car Seat Program/ Latino	Provide car seat education to all program participants	9	Not provided	0
Crib Distribution/ Sleep Safety Education: Hmong	Provide crib and safe sleep education to all program participants	9	Crib safety was discussed during home visits. Some participants were expecting a new baby and expressed concern on how to transition older child. Flyers and brochures were provided and did a brief discussion on crib safety.	4
Crib Distribution/ Sleep Safety Education: Latino	Provide crib and safe sleep education to all program participants	9	No sleep safety education this quarter	0

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Life-Skills	Address life skills education through		Life skills for this quarter was discussed during home visits and field trips.	8
Education	weekly group activities and		Participants expressed concerns in finding jobs, juggling chores and	
Program/	sessions during the school year;		prioritizing tasks. Assisted participants in making a "to-do" list, and ranking	
_	additional field trips during the		tasks by urgency.	
Hmong	summer and one-on-one case			
	management year round			
Life-Skills	Address life skills education through		Life skills this quarter consisted of hands on experience preparing and	16
Education	weekly group activities and		caring for children during a busy outing. For some participants, it was their	
Program/	sessions during the school year;		first time taking their kids to a field trip where there was so many people so	
_	additional field trips during the		it was a challenge to feed, change and watch their kids. Worked with	
Latino	summer and one-on-one case		participants to help them prepare for field trips with toys, snacks, extra	
	management year round		clothes and supplies, as well as give them guidance while on the field trip	
		108	about keeping children safe in public settings.	

Nutrition/	Provide nutrition education for		Nutrition education was provided during field trips.	8
Hmong	teen parents; provide nutritional			
_	resources, referrals, and follow-			
	ups through case management			
	and assessment			
Nutrition/	Provide nutrition education for		Food was provided for fieldtrips	6
Latino	teen parents; provide nutritional			
	resources, referrals, and follow-			
	ups through case management			
	and assessment	9		
Parenting	Address parenting skills through		Parenting skills was provided during field trips. Taught participant to	8
Education/	weekly group activities and		actively communicate with baby. Point to objects and teach child how to	
Hmong	sessions during the school year; additional field trips during the		try to repeat after parent. Help give tips on encouraging child to walk/crawl.	
_	summer and one-on-one case			
	management year round			
Darantina	Address parenting skills through		Parenting at field trips was done by each parent. Parents demonstrated	10
Parenting	weekly group activities and		growth and reported it was a stressful, yet positive and proud experience	16
Education/	sessions during the school year;		to be around so many people and have their one year old (or younger) try	
Latino	additional field trips during the		to walk around safely. It was a good opportunity to practice parenting	
	summer and one-on-one case		skills we learned in previous months.	
	management year round	108		
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Provide	Staff provides clients only	7	New participant showed interest towards end of quarter. Participant was referred to a different parenting education program. Due to end of school	
Necessary	intake assessments,		year and more free time over the summer, numerous participants were	
Services	information on, referral to and		interested in services.	
Assessments	assistance with securing			
Only	necessary services			
Transportation	Provide transportation	9		
	services to participants to			
	enable participation in			
	program activities			
Maternal and	Child Health Initiative Ta	sk For	ce Strategies	No.
			afety education from a PA funded program activity	0
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Number of women who received car seat safety education only from a PA funded program activity	5
Number of women who received child abuse prevention education from a PA funded program activity	0
Number of women who received abusive head trauma (shaken baby) prevention education from a PA funded program activity	0
Number of women who received a baby bed, crib, or pack-n-play and sleep safety education from a PA funded program activity	0
Number of women who received sleep safety education only from a PA funded program activity	4

Challenges:

Hmong: Preparing participants to successfully exit program. Help to provide all resources to help participant succeed. Participant showed concern towards the end of quarter. Offered participant other services provided through Neighborhood House but participant hesitated due to lack of English skills.

Latino: Getting all participants to go on field trips was a challenge due to summer plans, school or jobs.

Comments:

Hmong: Participants showed a lot of interest in field trips. They enjoyed being around other moms and bonding with other parent and child. Prepared participants by providing baby essentials/items. Participants were sad about transition but exited successfully.

Latino: Participants were appreciative to receive some baby products as an incentive at the end of the program.